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Docket No. 0756-1717

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of: )  
Shunpei YAMAZAKI )  
Serial No. 08/926,592 )  
Filed: September 9, 1997 )  
For: LAYER MEMBER FORMING )  
METHOD ) December 9, 1997

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the first sentence of the specification, as stated at Item 8 of the request dated September 9, 1997 for filing the subject application,

1996; which itself is a Divisional application of Serial No. 08/351,140,